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As a Comment on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance, applicant notes that on page 2 of the Examiner's Amendment provided with the June 23, 2010 Notice of Allowability, the examiner provided claim amendments approved by the undersigned attorney, instructing that the claims amendments be entered as follows: "Amend claims 1, 6, 7, 9-11, and 15-17, thus..."

However, in the claim set that follows, claims 4 and 13 are also amended. Such amendments of claims 4 and 13 were also approved by the undersigned attorney in the June 21, 2010 telephonic

interview. Accordingly, the instruction regarding claim amendments to be entered should read “Amend claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9-11, 13 and 15-17, thus...” and the status identifier following “4” on page 2 of the Examiner’s amendment should read “Currently Amended,” rather than “Previously Presented.” The status identifier following “13” on page 4 properly indicates “Currently amended.”

Incident to a post-allowance review of the application, subsequent to applicant’s receipt of the June 23, 2010 Notice of Allowance, this amendment is being submitted under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.312, to provide better quality drawings for the drawings previously provided in this application. No drawing objection was raised during prosecution of the application; however, better quality versions of the pending drawings are available and are herein submitted.

Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that the enclosed Replacement Drawing Sheets 1 to 14 be substituted for the Drawing Sheets 1 to 14 as originally filed. In compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d), each enclosed sheet of drawings is labeled in the margin as a “REPLACEMENT SHEET.”

Entry of this amendment submitted under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.312 is requested, inasmuch as it merely provides better quality versions of the original Drawing Sheets and does incorporate any new matter within the meaning of 35 USC 132.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:
Replacement Drawing Sheets 1 to 14 [14 pgs.]

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